

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the preceding amendments and following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-6 and 8-27 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 4, 8-11, 13-15, 17-19 and 25-27 are amended. Claims 7 and 28 are cancelled. Claim 1 is the only independent claim.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's indication that the originally filed drawings are accepted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO); that certified copies of the priority documents have been received by the USPTO; and that the references listed in the Information Disclosure Statements filed on September 28, 2004 and July 28, 2005 have been acknowledged as considered.

Claim Objections

Claim 1 is objected to because of a minor informality. Claim 1 is amended to recite "at least another of the software modules" instead of "further of the software modules." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit the objection to claim 1 is overcome.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as indefinite. The Examiner cites 112, second paragraph issues to be addressed in each of claims 1, 9, 11, 14, 15, 17, 26 and 27. As shown in the Amendments to the Claims section of this amendment, each of these claims are amended to address the issues identified by the Examiner. In light of the amendments to the claims, Applicants respectfully request the rejection of claims 1-28 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1, 3-21 and 23-28:

Claims 1, 3-21 and 23-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Frank et al. (WO 99/60487, herein Frank) in view of Dönig et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,471,377, herein Dönig). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection as detailed below.

Initially, Applicants note that claim 1 is amended to include the features of cancelled claim 7. As such, arguments are now provided that address the Examiner's rejection of claim 7 on page 6, lines 7-19 of the Office Action. In particular, the Examiner asserts page 15, lines 19-30 and page 16, lines 1-30 of Frank teaches the features of cancelled claim 7, which are now included in amended independent claim 1.

However, the cited portion of Frank specifically states, on page 16, lines 24-30, the following.

In a presently preferred embodiment, object properties are provided to specify execution frequency and order of execution. In a presently most preferred embodiment, five different execution frequencies may be specified. Each execution frequency may be adjusted by editing the associated object property in multiples of 100 milliseconds. In presently most preferred embodiment, three different execution orders may be specified.

The text of Frank quoted above indicates that while different "execution orders" with different "execution frequencies" can be assigned because data can be categorized differently, all categories of the data are sorted and cyclically updated.

Because all of the categories of data are cyclically updated, Frank at least fails to disclose, teach or suggest "the server software module is used to categorize a large number of data from controllers of the units differently, wherein imaging of measured and status data from the controllers in the server software module is cyclically updatable, wherein other data is

transmittable at a request of one of the client PCs,” as recited in amended claim 1. According to claim 1, some data is cyclically updated, whereas other data is transmittable at a request from a client PC.

Further, Applicants respectfully submit that Dönig also fail to disclose, teach or suggest the above-emphasized feature of amended independent claim 1. Even if Dönig discloses the monitoring, regulating or controlling of the high-voltage supply units of electrostatic filters with the aid of a control device, which Applicants do not admit, Dönig reference does not disclose, teach or suggest any features relating to the control of the differently categorized data related to the electrostatic filters.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully request the rejection of independent claim 1, as well as claims 3-21 and 23-28 depending therefrom, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) be withdrawn.

Claims 2 and 22:

Claims 2 and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Frank in view of Dönig, and further in view of Krivoshein (U.S. Patent No. 6,449,715). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection as detailed below.

Applicants’ review of Krivoshein indicates that Krivoshein fails to cure the deficiencies of Frank and Dönig as discussed above with respect to amended independent claims 1. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2 and 22 are allowable over any combination of Frank, Dönig and Krivoshein for at least the same reasons claim 1 is allowable over the combination Frank and Dönig.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 2 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of each of the pending claims of this application is earnestly solicited.

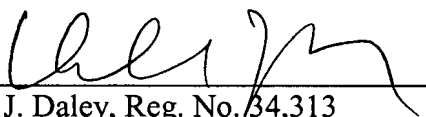
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Donald J. Daley at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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